

ZAHAROFF BILLIONS TO CREATE FRENCH FLEET

Richest Man Offers Fortune to
Make Franco Supreme in
Air Operations.
WANT 2,000,000 MACHINES

"Mailed Fist" Would Protect Fron-
tiers at All Times and Co-Oper-
ate With Large Army—Claim
Invasion to Be Impossible.

(By Associated Press.)
PARIS, Oct. 23.—Basil Zaharoff,
renowned the richest man in the
world, has announced that his entire
fortune, estimated in millions in an
air service of the French government
for the creation of an air fleet which
will make France the most powerful
military power on earth.

Zaharoff's offer is contingent on a
fund of 2,000,000 francs being raised
by other Frenchmen as evidence of
their patriotism.

The announcement by Zaharoff fol-
lows closely Marshal Foch's predic-
tion that the "next war" will be de-
cided in the air and under the sea.
The marshal made his prophecy in an
address to naval cadets at Bou-
logne-sur-Mer.

In the opinion of qualified neutral
observers, this is only another link
in the gigantic scheme, sponsored by
France, to make France a power
in the air and under the sea, and
to place in a military way that she would
take the place in Europe vacated by
Germany.

In Being Executed.
The evidence that this plan has not
only been seriously considered but is
actually being put into execution, the
fact is significant that France to-
day has the largest standing army
in the world.

The first outward evidence that
President Wilson's league of nations
idea to abolish the "balance of
power" theory had been definitely
overboard by the French govern-
ment was the military alliance
signed with Belgium. Though nomi-
nally only a "defensive" alliance, no
secret is made of the fact that it is
to Belgium's interest to follow close-
ly France's every move on the
chanceboard of Europe.

The second step was to arrange a
hard-and-fast accord with Hungary
whereby, in return for certain con-
cessions, Hungary was to be allowed
to keep a standing army of 150,000,
which was directly contrary to the
letter of the Hungarian treaty.

This Hungarian army of 150,000,
which will be the most powerful mil-
itary nucleus in Central Europe, will
the agreement states, be offered and
placed solely by French ma-
chines.

French Remain in Poland.
The next item is the French direc-
tion of the Polish army. Although
General Weygand has returned to
France, General Henry remains in
Warsaw, and is actively directing the
organization of the new Polish army,
while hundreds of French officers are
commanding divisions and regiments.
Polish munitions of war are either
French or American.

Thus France has cleverly drawn an
exclusive cordon of bayonets and can-
non around her enemies—Germany
and Austria—and at the same time
created a barrier to the Soviet
advance in the east.

Basil Zaharoff is said to have
been on the table of the French Min-
istry of War a comprehensive plan
for the creation of 2,000,000 airplanes "for
commerce." But it is stipu-
lated that the machines shall be of
such type that they can readily be
converted into formidable engines of
war.

Dry Agents Raid Tented Village of Moonshiners

(By Associated Press.)
COLUMBUS, GA., Oct. 23.—A
tent village of moonshiners was
raided last night in Alabama on
Turkey Creek, about ten miles
from Columbus, by Federal Pro-
hibition Agent J. Canney and depu-
ties. Four stills, 6,000 gallons of
beer, seventy-five gallons of
whisky, several tents, tools, etc.,
were captured.

One of the stills was in opera-
tion and had a worn forty-eight
foot long, the longest ever cap-
tured in this section. This still
was in full operation.

Protect French Shores.
Such a fleet, Zaharoff claims, would
be sufficient to protect the shores of
France against invasion by the com-
bined naval forces of Great Britain
and the United States—should such a
wildly improbable thing become a
fact.

At the same time the fleet would
be so mobile that all French ports
could be protected at one and the same
time.


With Millardand President and a
Cabinet of his own choosing in power,
nothing now is believed to stand in
the way of the realization to create
in France the "mailed fist" ampu-
tated from Wilhelm II.

PLAN AMERICANIZATION OF LUTHERAN IMMIGRANTS

Church Mission Work Will Aid in
Familiarizing Newcomers With
English Language.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—Plans for
Americanization of immigrant mem-
bers were emphasized today at the
biennial session of the United Luth-
eran Church. Reports of mission
boards told of the work being done
to familiarize such Lutherans with
the English language.

Presentation of medals to the Luth-
eran ministers who served as chap-
lains in the army and navy during
the world war, was made the occasion
for a patriotic demonstration.



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Infants' hand-made and hand-embroidered slips.....\$2.25
Trimmed Knickerbocker drawers, sizes to 10 years.....50c

UNIDENTIFIED WOMAN FOUND STRANGLING IN BEACH WOOD

State Island Tragedy Victim Had
Strang About Neck—Evidence
of Struggle.

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—The body of
an unidentified woman with a piece
of manila string wound and tied
about the neck, was found by
hunters late yesterday in a clump of
trees near West New Brighton,
State Island.

The trampled condition of the
ground and marks upon the face and
hands indicated that the woman had
been killed after a struggle. Her
hat was found several feet away and
pearls from a broken necklace were
scattered about. She was apparently
about 30 years old.

End Coal Car Allotments.
WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—The In-
terstate Commerce Commission dis-
continued today preferential allot-
ment of coal cars for fuel transpor-
tation for the Great Lakes district in
three sections of the country. Allot-
ments are to be omitted at mines
upon the Louisville and Nashville
Railroad, in the Ives gas-coal dis-
trict of Pennsylvania, and in the
Northern Ohio district, the middle
districts of Ohio and also the Butler-
Mercer districts in Pennsylvania. In
addition the commission announced
coal car allotments may be omitted
against wagon mines and mines pro-
ducing stripper coal until further no-
tice.

FOUNDERS OF HUMANITARIAN CULT TAKE MERCURY POISON

Mischa Applebaum and Wife Found
Suffering in Apartment—Claim
Mistake.

(By Universal Service.)
NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Mischa Ap-
plebaum, founder of the Humanitar-
ian Cult, and his wife, formerly
Helen York, were found suffering
from the effects of bichloride of mer-
cury poisoning in their apartment
Friday.

Nothing was found in the apart-
ment to indicate a suicide pact, and
Applebaum would only say: "It was
all a mistake."

On the way to the Knickerbocker
Hospital in an ambulance the couple
would not speak to one another, and
averted their faces.

Applebaum admitted that each had
taken four tablets of the poison.
Physicians at the hospital pronounced
their condition serious.

COOLIDGE PLEASED AT RICHMOND HOSPITALITY

Day State Governor Completes His
Tour of South at Fred-
erick, Md.

(By Associated Press.)
FREDERICK, MD., Oct. 23.—Govern-
or Coolidge, Republican candidate
for Vice-President, completed here
tonight a week's campaign in South-
ern States, with a meeting in the
State armory, at which he appealed
for support of the Republican party
because "its principles are those of
Lincoln and its traditions are those
of Washington."

In a statement tonight commenting
upon the tour, which carried him
into Kentucky, Tennessee, North
Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia and
Maryland, Governor Coolidge ex-
pressed:

Governor Lowden, of Illinois, and
Job Hodges, of New York, at Vir-
ginia tonight in the Shenandoah Val-
ley, and more extended speeches were
given at an open air rally at Har-
persburg, W. Va., and at two indoor
meetings in Hagerstown, Md. Gov-
ernor Coolidge will leave his special
train at Washington tomorrow morn-
ing and return immediately to Bos-
ton.

Riga Treaty Ratified.
WARSAW, Oct. 23.—The Diet has
unanimously ratified the preliminary
peace treaty signed recently at Riga
by the Polish peace delegates.

Hospital Supplies Sold.
WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—Sale of
surplus bandages and absorbent cot-
ton to Thomson and Kelly Company,
of Boston, for more than \$1,000,000,
was announced today by the War De-
partment. The stock included was
estimated by the department to be a
year's supply for all surgeons and
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